

Effective Border Schools Conference

Keynote Presentation Bridge Event: **Research-Based Practices for Improving Academic Outcomes for English Learners**

Date: June 20, 2016
Time: 1:00–1:45 p.m. (Central Time)
Location: South Padre Island Convention Centre
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Key Topics

- Best methods for differentiating instruction for English learners at different proficiency levels
- Attributes that make text challenging for English learners
- Research-based routines and scaffolds for developing background knowledge in English learners
- Methods for selecting academic vocabulary for instruction
- Research-based methods for teaching vocabulary to English learners, taking into consideration the attributes of particular words
- Research-based methods to support English learners' text comprehension and writing
- Gaps that exist in our knowledge base that need further research

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